



## Janet G. Sippell

May 28, 1935 - April 3, 2013

Janet Sippell died suddenly and went to be with her Savior on April 3, 2013, at UM Hospital.

Janet Gaynor Rountree was born May 28, 1935, to Edgar and Margherite in Hanover, Michigan. She pursued a secondary teaching degree at Jackson Community College and Western Michigan University, graduating in 1957. She obtained additional certifications through courses at Western and the University of Colorado. Her 25-year teaching career started at what is now Brooklyn Columbia Central High School and continued at New Buffalo, and then at Saline Middle and High Schools until her retirement in 1995. She taught typing and shorthand, personal law, and English. She met and married Ken Sippell in 1961, and they lived in Battle Creek from 1964 to 1970, and then moved to Saline. Janet loved being a teacher and spent her post-teaching years continuing to read and learn. Her love of books and learning was instilled in her children as was her interest in travel, especially to the ocean. She had many happy memories with her sisters and friends at the family cottage in the Irish Hills; family vacations to Colorado, Hilton Head, and Gatlinburg; and attending basketball games and tournaments with her husband and children. She participated in the Ladies' Golf League at Brookside for many years, was a past member of an investment club, and a supporter of Washtenaw Literacy, among many other local charities. She is survived by her husband of 51 years, Ken Sippell of Saline; Kelly Sippell of Ann Arbor; Greg Sippell (Yolanda) of Corona, CA.; grandchildren Joshua, Jade, and Trevor; and sisters Kay Fisher (Hanover), Mary Jo Greiner (Hanover), and Joy Hayden (Lake Orion). She was preceded in death by her parents and son Jeffrey. A Memorial Service will take place on Monday, April 8, 2013 at 2:00 P.M. at Christ Our King Lutheran Church (3255 Waterworks Road, Saline). A graveside service will be held at Hanover Cemetery (Hanover, Michigan) on a future date. In lieu of flowers, donations may be made in her name to Washtenaw Literacy. Envelopes will be available at the Robison-Bahnmler Funeral Home in Saline where friends may begin calling on Sunday, April 7, 2013, between the hours of 2:00 P.M. to 5:00 P.M. To sign Janet's guestbook, to leave a memory, or for more information or directions please visit <http://www.rbhfsaline.com>.

# Events

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**APR**   **Visitation**                      02:00PM - 05:00PM

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Robison-Bahnmler Funeral Home & Cremation Services  
301 East Michigan Ave., Saline, MI, US, 48176

**APR**   **Memorial Service**                      02:00PM - 03:00PM

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Christ Our King Lutheran Church  
3255 Saline Waterworks Road, Saline, MI, US, 48176

# Comments

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“ Dear Ken & Family,

I am so sorry to hear about Janet's passing. Len & I have great thoughts of Janet, she was such a special friend of mine, when I worked at Saline High Shool, and I will keep her in my thoughts often, and my prayers. Ken my heart cries for her and you, and I will keep you both in my prayers everyday. Take care and God Bless the two of you.

Love,  
Len & Char Cieciek

We are still in Florida and love it. You will be in our hearts and prayers.

**Char & Len Cieciek** - April 14, 2013 at 03:46 PM

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“ Ken and family,  
We were saddened to hear of Jan's passing. Our thoughts are with you,  
Sue & George Mitchell

**Sue Mitchell** - April 09, 2013 at 07:12 PM

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“ Our thoughts and hearts are with the Sippell family. Janet Sippell's love of books shines through in her incredible daughter, Kelly. With deepest sympathy,

Sandy Silberstein

**Sandra Silberstein** - April 08, 2013 at 01:40 AM

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“ Ken,

Our prayers are with you and your family during this difficult time. May lasting memories provide you with comfort now and in the days to come.

Lance & Jean Rowe



Lance Rowe - April 07, 2013 at 12:04 PM

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“ I never had the honor of meeting Janet, but I see her love of books, teaching and travel in her daughter, Kelly. Her memory and ideals live on not just in the hearts and minds of those she leaves behind, but in the many teachers whose lives she has touched indirectly.

Margi Wald - April 06, 2013 at 11:16 AM

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“ Mrs. Sippell was a kind and wonderful teacher and leaves behind a legacy of adults whom went on to enjoy much success. Peace and blessings to the Sippell family and friends.

Bonnie (Runyon) Webb

Bonnie Webb - April 05, 2013 at 02:59 PM

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“ Dear Ken and Family, We were saddened to learn of Jan's passing....we have good memories of the "early years" together at Christ Our King. Take comfort knowing she is with her Lord and Saviour. Sincerely, Jane and Bob Macomber

jane macomber - April 05, 2013 at 12:21 PM

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“ Jan was a long friend and a client of mine, I always enjoyed our conversations. She was a wonderful person and I will miss her greatly.

Jill Fair - April 05, 2013 at 09:47 AM

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“ Jill Fair lit a candle in memory of Janet G. Sippell



Jill Fair - April 05, 2013 at 09:45 AM



“ I am sending my sympathy to Kelly and the rest of the family at this difficult time.

Stephanie Vandrick - April 06, 2013 at 05:22 PM